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- 25X1 1. The Libava (P50/007) military training camp (vojensky vycvikovy tabor Libava) is located about 15 kilometers north-northeast of Olomouc. The area includes about 20 towns, among them Libava, Kozlov, Smilov and Dobra Voda, and the civilian population, with a few exceptions, has been evacuated from these towns.
2. Except for such units as are permanently stationed at Libava and take advanced training there, this area serves as a field training area for Moravian military units, which are either arriving or leaving the year around.
3. Troops at the Libava area are organized according to the following units:
- a. Headquarters of the Libava Military Training Area.
- b. The 53 Technical Battalion.
- c. ~~The 4 Technical Battalion.~~
- d. ~~The Penal Company.~~
4. The Headquarters has a truck motor pool, an ammunition depot and a supply depot. The guard company also is subordinate to the Headquarters.
- 25X1 5. [] the 53 Technical Battalion [] is a labor battalion
25X1 for "politically unreliable" soldiers. The personnel of this battalion receive no training with weapons, and after two or three weeks of close order drill and disciplinary training they are assigned to labor units which work on military installations, airfields, factories, coal mines or in industries where there is a labor shortage. The members of the battalion are supposed to receive a small amount of pay for their work, but the amount of 90 Kcs. is deducted daily from their pay for rations and quarters, so that they actually receive little or nothing.
6. The following officers are assigned to the 53 Technical Battalion:
- 25X1 a. Major of Infantry Kosut, Commanding Officer []

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- 25X1 b. Lieutenant Kovar, political officer [redacted]
 25X1 c. ORZ sub-lieutenant Klvac [redacted]
7. The 53 Technical Battalion is organized as follows:
- 25X1 a. 1 Company, consisting of regular engineer troops who do guard duty.
 25X1 b. 2 Company [redacted] Libava. The
 25X1 Commanding Officer is Lieutenant Ritze; assistant to the CO, Sergeant
 25X1 Hynica. The number of soldiers varies; they work on military installations.
 25X1 c. 4 Company [redacted] Sternberk.
 25X1 Commanding Officer, 1st Lieutenant Zak. Contains 160 men, who are
 25X1 working on the construction of a factory in Sternberk.
 25X1 d. Company [redacted] Libava. Commanding
 Officer, Lieutenant Jaros. Consists of 200 men, all of whom are
 clergymen of various religions.
 e. Company [redacted] Commanding Officer, Lieutenant
 Srubar. Consists of 160 to 200 men, who are working on the construction
 of the airfield at Prerov.
 f. Company [redacted] Olomouc. Commanding Officer, Lieutenant
 Nespechal. Consists of 160 men, who work in a cement factory in Olomouc.
8. There is another company of the 53 Technical Battalion working on the Prerov
 airfield, another is in Karvinna; one in Brno; one in Broumov, and there are
 several platoons which work in the woods around Libava.
9. Only the Headquarters of the 4 Technical Battalion is located in Libava. All
 of the companies belonging to this battalion are at the Karvinna coal mines.
 These companies are called "X. pomocny technicky prapor".
10. The penal company consists of soldiers who have received short sentences for
 non-political reasons and work in the woods or in quarries.

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